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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE ANTI U.S. DEMONSTRATIONS

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1. TURKISH NATIONAL POLICE (TNP) SOURCES ADVISE TURKISH TEACHERS ASSOCIATION (TTA) (ALSO KNOWN BY TURKISH ACRONYM "TOD-BER") PLANS DEMONSTRATIONS AND/OR MEETINGS AGAINST INFLATION AND FASCISM FEB. 15 AND 16 IN ISTANBUL, IZMIR, ADANA, AND ANKARA, AND ALL OTHER PROVINCE CAPITALS. INDICATIONS ARE THERE WILL BE ATTEMPTS BY TURKISH SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY AND AND LEFT-WING STUDENT GROUPS TO TURN EVENTS INTO ANTI-U.S. DEMONSTRATIONS.

2. ADANA: TNP REPORTS TTA MEETING PLANNED IN ADANA. AT PRESENT, NO INDICATION OF ANTI-U.S. ACTIVITY ON PARTY OF PERSONS PLANNING THAT MEETING.

3. IZMIR: TTA PLANS MEETING FEB. 15 AT VILLA CAY FAIRGROUND FROM 1400 TO 1700 HOURS. ON FEB. 16, MARCH PLANNED FROM
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RAILWAY STATION ALONG WATERFRONT TO ATATURK STATUE. STAUE

SPEECH TOPICS INCLUDE U.S. MILITARY AID, FASCISM, IMPERIALISM AND INFLATION. 5,000 TO 7,000 EXPECTED TO PARTICIPATE.

4. ISTANBUL: TTA HAS PERMISSION OF MARTIAL LAW AUTHORITIES TO HOLD MEETING 1400 HOURS FEB. 16 AT BEYAZIT SQUARE. NO PERMISSION GRANTED FOR PLANNED TTA MARCH TO GALATA BRIDGE. TTA REPORTEDLY PLANNING TO MARCH WITHOUT AUTHORITY. TNP WORRIED ABOUT POSSIBLE RIGHT WING COMMANDO CONFRONTATIONS WITH LEFT WING TTA GROUP. TNP ALSO FEEL ANTI-U.S. OVERTONES COULD DEVELOP DURING MEETING AND MARCH.

5. ANKARA: MARTIAL LAW AUTHORITIES HAVE GRANTED PERMISSION FOR MEETING AT 1400 HOURS, FEB. 15. MEETING WILL BE HELD GOLBASI THEATER, KIZILAY (USIS LOCATED IN AREA). ON EVENING FEB. 13, TNP ARRESTED TWELVE MEMBERS TTA WHILE THEY ERECTING POSTERS ANNOUNCING FEB. 15 MEETING. AT THAT TIME, MEETING NOT APPROVED BY AUTHORITIES. ALL THESE ARRESTED REPORTEDLY RELEASED AND NO FURTHER ACTION PENDING AGAINST THEM. ALSO DURING EVENING FEB. 13, TNP RAIDED TTA OFFICE IN ANKARA. TTA REQUEST FOR MARCH ON FEB. 16 TURNED DOWN BY AUTHORITIES. ANKARA TNP SOURCES FEEL THEY IN CONTROL SITUATION. THEY REPORT NO EVIDENCE PLANNED ANTI-U.S. ACTIVITY. TNP PREPARED TO PREVENT AND NEUTRALIZE AND DEMONSTRATION. RIOT UNITS AND EQUIPMENT REPORTEDLY ON ALERT.

6. POLICE, WHILE COGNIZANT OF POTENTIAL ANTI-U.S. ACTIVITY IN CONJUNCTION WITH PLANNED TTA ACTIVITIES, MORE CONCERNED OVER POSSIBLE CLASHES BETWEEN LEFT WING TTA AND RIGHT WING COMMANDOS. MANY PREVIOUS ENCOUNTERS HAVE INCLUDED SHOOTINGS, BOMBINGS, FIRE BOMBINGS, SOME DEATHS AND NUMEROUS INJURIES. AUTHORITIES HAVE EXPRESSED CONCERN FOR SAFETY ANY U.S. PERSONNEL WHO MIGHT STRAY INTO AREA OF DEMONSTRATION OR CONFRONTATION. THEY REQUESTED NO U.S. MILITARY PERSONNEL WEAR UNIFORM IN SUCH AREA.

7. OSI ELEMENTS CONTINUALLY MONITORING SITUATION. WHILE NO UNDUE ALARM SHOULD BE RAISED IN AMERICAN COMMUNITY CONCERNING PLANNED TTA ACTIVITY, POSTS SHOULD ADVISE PERSONNEL TO USE COMMON SENSE AND AVOID ANY KNOWN TROUBLE SPOT, DEMONSTRATION OR OTHER QUESTIONABLE AREA OF THEIR LOCALE.

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